

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Tuesday, April 25, 2006

4:00 p.m.

Room 327 House Office Building

Representative Garfield, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Garfield, Moore, Mortimer, Pavlov, Rocca, Espinoza, Sheltrown, Spade and Polidori.

Representative Polidori moved to approve the minutes of the March 28, and March 29, 2006 meetings.

Representative Mortimer supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 881 and SB 882 before the committee.

SB 881 Patterson Military affairs; other; veterans memorial property commission; create.

SB 882 Patterson Military affairs; other; use of military memorial sites or military cemeteries for other intended purposes; prohibit.

Chris Gillett, representing Senator Patterson's office, testified in support of SB 881 and SB 882.

Leno Pretto, representing the Military Order of the Purple Heart, submitted a card in support of SB 881 and SB 882, but did not wish to speak.

Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Department of Veterans Affairs, testified in opposition to SB 881 and SB 882.

James Netter, representing the American Legion in the City of Wayne, testified in support of SB 881 and SB 882.*

Ronald Nickels, representing the America Legion in Westland, testified in support of SB 881 and SB 882.

The committee took no further action on SB 881 and SB 882.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:35 p.m.

Representative John Garfield, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
April 25, 2006
35 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates written material submitted.